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My dear friend) —
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My eldest daughter Helen, whom thou may remember as once a student in the Boston Latin School, was graduated here, in an regular classical course — She then remained with us two years: pursueing her studies, as a post-graduate student. She then took a Post-graduate course in the Boston University, in the School of All Sciences; her Specialties there being Greek, Sanskrit and Comparative Philology — She graduated there this summer with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy; being the only woman, thus far, in this country, upon whom that degree has been conferred) —

My object in stating these facts to thee is to bespeak thy interest in her behalf, and to ask of thee any letters to friends in England to whom thou might be willing to commend her — She sails on the 8th of September, from Boston, and is to spend one or two years in study at Cambridge and in Germany. She will go first to Girton or Newnham Hall. As

she will surely spend one year in or near Cambridge I would especially ask of this last any friend there or near there to whom she could give her letters of introduction; this any letters to friends in other parts of England, which she might be able to use, would be most welcome — She goes abroad chiefly by the advice of President Warren, of the University, and has an excellent letter from him to Miss Clough, Principal of Newnham Hall. I come on to Boston with her on the 6th, reaching there on the morning of the 7th, and we shall take rooms at the Bellevue House, I think it is, on Beacon St — We should be very glad to meet thee before she sails if practicable — Thou will, I hope, have time to write and mail me here the letters desired — We should be very glad to have thee visit us again, and hope that you will not fail to do so this fall, while the beautiful weather lasts — Our students assemble on the 13th of next month —

Very sincerely thy friend

Edw L Nagill

Mrs. Miss Helen Magill
subsequently married
Hon. Andrew D. White.
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